Solidarity Sing Along

2013 Holiday Songbook

Live at the People's House

Madison, Wisconsin

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Wisconsin State Constitution
Article 1, Section 4

The right of the people peaceably to assemble, to consult for the common good, and to petition the government, or any department thereof, shall never be abridged.

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When We Vote Scott Walker Out of Town

(Tune: “Winter Wonderland”)
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
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Doorbells ring. Folks are dining
Walker's future is declining
In Solidarity, how happy we will be
When we vote Scott Walker out of town

Walker's plan, will be in tatters
It's our rights, that's what matters
When we win this fight, we'll party all night
When we vote Scott Walker out of town

The folks still singing here are on a mission
We'll belt out an overwhelming note
We'll restore the previous conditions
With the right to bargain and to vote!

At the i-i-i-i-nauguration
We will sing with elation
With the governor to be, in full harmony
When we vote Scott Walker out of town

All the snow and ice will then have melted
No longer daily protests will there be
No further need for snow tires or belted
Or the Fitzgeralds or GOP!

At the i-i-i-i-nauguration
We will sing with elation
With the governor to be, in full harmony
When we sing Scott Walker out of town

It won't be long now!
When we drum Scott Walker out of town

We’re gettin’ closer!
When we vote Scott Walker out of town

Rouse the Spirit

(Tune: “Deck the Halls”)
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
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Rouse the spirit of La Folly
Fa la la la la, la la la la
Tis the season to be jolly
Fa la la la la, la la la la

Don we now blue fist apparel
Fa la la, la la la, la la la
As we sing this protest carol
Fa la la la la, la la la la

With Robin Vos and Scott Fitzgerald
Fa la la la la, la la la la
Liberties are so imperiled
Fa la la la la, la la la la

Follow me, no time for leisure
Fa la la la la, la la la la
While I fight for rights I treasure
Fa la la la la, la la la la

Fast away the bad year passes
Fa la la la la, la la la la
Hail the new gov, lads and lasses
Fa la la la la, la la la la

Now we celebrate the season
Fa la la la la, la la la la
Replacing fear with love and reason
Fa la la la la, la la la la

Holly Jolly Protest

(Tune: "A Holly Jolly Christmas")
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Have a holly jolly protest
It's the best news of the year
Walker will be out of here
So all of us can cheer!

Have a holly jolly protest
Come exercise your rights
Workers' rights will be restored
If voters all unite!

Oh ho, the gov must go!
People will be free
Joy will come to workers then
The kids and family!

Have a holly jolly protest
And in case you didn't hear
Walker's packed his bags and cleaned his desk
The tyrant's outta here!

Have Ourselves a Merry Little Protest

(Tune: "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
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Have ourselves a merry little protest
Let our hearts be light
From now on
Scott Walker will be out of sight!

Have ourselves a merry little protest
Make the gov'nor pay
It won't be long
Till Scott Walker is miles away

Here we are as in olden days
Happy Badger State of yore
Faithful friends who are dear to us
Gather near to us once more

Through the years we all will be together
Once this gov'nor's through
Hang a shining sign upon the Rotunda
And have ourselves a merry little protest now

We'll Put an End to Scott's Career

(Tune: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
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We'll put an end to Scott's career
For that's what this movement is for!
A petty tyrant to undo
Our basic rights to restore!

We'll work together across the state
And show Scott Walker the door
We'll freely retake the People's House
And collectively bargain once more!

The brothers Koch, all their money waste
Attempting poor Scotty to keep
We'll outmaneuver their every ploy
And only cost will they reap!

We'll rid our state of unbounded greed
And "Forward" our motto restore
Wisconsin was a progressive state
Just as it shall be once more!

Our seniors merit our state's support
Our nurses and teachers as well
Our first responders and all whose lives
Wisconsin's proud story do tell!

We shall by protest and by the vote
End all of the lies and the fear
And as our holiday season ends
We'll undo Scott Walker's career!

Walker the Heartless Gov'nor

(Tune: "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer")
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Scotty, the heartless gov'nor
Used to take away our rights
And if you ever saw him
You'd have stood your ground to fight

All of the other people
Came and joined the Sing Along
They didn't want Scott Walker
To stick around and do more wrong

Then one bright Wisconsin day
People came to say:
Walker, with your heartless laws
Leave our house and shut the door!

So we started up some singing
And soon we'll shout out with glee
Walker, you were once a nightmare
Now you're toast and history!

Let's Stand As One

(Tune: "O Tannenbaum")
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Let's stand as one, the fight's begun
To change this state forever
We sing in peace, let gridlock cease
We'll oust the gov together

For health and schools, clean streams and skies
Less greed in how we split the pie
Let's stand as one, the fight's begun
To change our state together

Wisconsin folks, come stand as one
Let our great state shine bright as sun
Reclaim a clean Wisconsin now
Keep up the fight. We know just how!

Protect the weak, the young and old
Don't let Scott Walker harm our fold!
The man has done only harmful deeds
Once Walker's gone: Democracy!

Let's stand as one, the fight's begun
To change this state forever
We sing in peace, let gridlock cease
We'll oust the gov together

A Few of My Favorite Things

(Tune: “My Favorite Things”)
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Republicans leaving. We've all been awaiting
Bright colored banners responsibly swaying
The governor's pink slip all tied up with string
These are a few of my favorite things!

Vuvuzelas, cowbells, and grannies a-raging
Dancing the polka while solidarity singing
Walkerville, tractors, blue fist Wisconsin
These are a few of my favorite things!

When the Fitzs bite, when ALEC stings
When I'm feeling sad
I simply remember my favorite things
And then I don't feel so bad

Republicans leaving. We've all been awaiting
Bright colored banners responsibly swaying
The governor's pink slip all tied up with string
These are a few of my favorite things!

Five Hundred Citations Plus

(Tune: "Angels We Have Heard on High")
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Five Hundred Citations Plus
We've received from DOA
We keep writing new tunes thus
Clearly we're not scared away

CHORUS:
Euphor-o-o-o-o-or-o-o-o-o-or-o-o-o-o-oria
Protest through song evokes
Euphor-o-o-o-o-or-o-o-o-o-or-o-o-o-o-oria
The feeling singing brings us now

It is clear we all agree
Walker, Erwin, and Mike Huebsch
Same values at the tea party
"Ask permission to protest or zip your lip!"

CHORUS

This will all soon be worked out
It may take weeks, months, or years
We've got this beat, without a doubt
Huebsch and Erwin holding hands while crying tears

CHORUS

Keep your eyes on the prize, that's no more Scott
Clearly, his time's running out
Prison or jail – either way he'll rot
We will sing, dance, sway, and shout

CHORUS

Deck the Halls with Pink Citations

(Tune: "Deck the Halls")
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Deck the halls with pink citations
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!
Hear Chief Erwin's fabrications!
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!

Don we now our warm apparel
Fa la la la la la, cite, cite, cite!
While we sing our freedom carol
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!

See the Constitution here now
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!
Our state values freedom, and how!
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!

Follow that old piece of paper!
Fa la la la la la, cite, cite, cite!
Put an end to this wild caper!
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!

Fast away the old year passes
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!
Session's coming, lads and lasses!
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!

Sing we fearless, in all weather
Fa la la la la la, cite, cite, cite!
We will face their threats together!
Fa la la la la, and cite, cite, cite!

Scotty the Con Man

(Tune: "Frosty the Snowman")
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Scotty the con man
Justified the means by ends
When he won the race
Thought he would replace
Civil servants with his friends

Scotty the con man
Ditched the commerce department
He set up his own
To make lots of loans
Now nobody knows where they went

He promised his contributors
The Unions he'd divide
But when the people stormed the Square
He began to beg and hide

Scotty the con man
Hired some less than honest tools
Then from vets they stole
Now it's past control
He's a crook or he's a fool

Scotty the con man
Wants our schools to privatize
If your studies lead
Not to corporate needs
Then your funds he'll minimize

He didn't like Obamacare
He'd set up no exchange
But Court said yes
Romney made a mess
Now it's too late to arrange

OH! Scotty the slow man
Didn't like that choo choo noise
He sent back the cash
Jobs went in the trash
Now the train's in Illinois

Scotty the con man
Pray our waters he won't ruin
He likes dirty jobs
Not those Union slobs
Hope he'll go up river soon!

Go Tell it at the Fountain

(Tune: "Go Tell It on the Mountain")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
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When Walker went bomb-droppin'
That February morn
He woke a sleeping giant
And something soon was born

CHORUS:
Go tell it at the Fountain
Penokee Hills and everywhere
Go tell it at the Fountain
A Movement here is born

With signs and songs and chanting
We showed the people's worth
We stood for truth and freedom
And led our state's rebirth

CHORUS

"The recall now has ended"
Our critics rushed to say
It's more than one election
The Movement's here to stay

CHORUS

They cited peaceful singers
No permits on those days
They wish that we would vanish
But we're not goin' away

CHORUS

We sing in the Rotunda
Our banners do adorn
We'll fight for Our Wisconsin
A Movement here is born

CHORUS

We spread across Wisconsin
Our cause is just and strong
If we all stick together
The Movement sings along

CHORUS

Hark! The Plutocrats Will Whine!

(Tune: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing")
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Hark! The plutocrats will whine
If they have to pay a dime!
Scrooge is now their Christmas god
While their workers toil and plod!
Make their stuff far overseas
Let Americans starve and freeze!
Love their country, they do not!
We must fight against their plot!
Hark! The plutocrats will whine
If they have to pay a dime!

Hark! Now Wal-Mart pays the price
For their avarice and vice!
Wal-Mart workers show the way
To gain dignity and pay!
This is what we all must do
To escape this greedy zoo!
Come together, work and share
For our community we care!
Hark! Now Wal-Mart pays the price
For their avarice and vice!

Peace on Earth, good will to all
Is our creed, our plea, our call!
Solidarity will win
Over the root of all our sin!
Life is more than hoarding gold
It's a truth that must be told!
Christmas is not just a sale
The Charlie Brown special told the tale!
Peace on Earth, good will to all
Is our creed, our plea, our call!

Here We Come A-Protesting

(Tune: “Here We Come A-wassailing”)
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Here we come a-protesting, Inside Our House so fair
Even though our servants, They just don't want us there!

CHORUS:
Love and joy come to you
And to you your Free Speech, too!
Let's assemble, and then let's build a happier new year!
Let us then build a happier new year!

Our Constitution says that we, Can come and speak our minds
But our state officials, Broke this five hundred times!

CHORUS

We are not some criminals, Who gather on this floor
We are simply citizens, Whom you have seen before

CHORUS

Call up the gov'nor of Our House, Go make that old phone ring!
Demand that he stop breaking, That "Constitution" thing!

CHORUS

But if your last name is not Koch, You might have trouble there
If you're not the one percent, Then he just doesn't care!

CHORUS

Free Speech and Free Assembly, Essential liberties!
And those who would oppose them, Can go outside and freeze!

CHORUS

Oh officers, who take an oath, Defend the rule of law
Against domestic enemies, Who prowl among these halls!

CHORUS

We will not go, we know our rights!
We've told you this before!
You know you're wrong, you know we'll win!
So why continue more?

CHORUS

O Come, All Ye Voters

(Tune: "O Come, All Ye Faithful")
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O come, all ye voters
Citizens of our state
O come ye, o come ye, all Wisconsin
Come and behold how
They will try to stop you!

O come, let us all vote now
O come, let us all vote now
O come, let us all vote now
Stop the games!

O say, now poll workers
Are you overworked now?
Is this suppressing votes?
Wink, wink, nudge, nudge
Come now, we've been through
Voter ID garbage!

O come, let us all vote now
O come, let us all vote now
O come, let us all vote now
Stop the games!

Oh, wow! Look at our map!
Our new voting districts!
In more ways than one
It's connect the dots!
Why won't they try to
Just win fair and squarely?

O come, let us all vote now
O come, let us all vote now
O come, let us all vote now
Stop the games!

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Solidarity, Solidarity

(Tune: "O Tannenbaum")
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Solidarity, Solidarity
Will bring us to victory!
Solidarity, Solidarity
Will bring us to victory!
Ninety-nine's much more than one
We stick together, get it done!
Solidarity, Solidarity
Will bring us to victory!

Solidarity, Solidarity
Can beat piles of big money
Solidarity, Solidarity
Can beat piles of big money
We have the muscle and the brains
Our might can be a speeding train!
Solidarity, Solidarity
Will bring us to victory!

Solidarity, solidarity
Better than the hierarchy
Solidarity, solidarity
Better than the hierarchy
The rank and file is where it's at
No, you can-not front on that!
Solidarity, Solidarity
Will bring us to victory!

Solidarity, solidarity
Gives us great tenacity
Solidarity, solidarity
Gives us great tenacity
Haul one to jail, two more will come!
Attack our rights, increase our sum!
Solidarity, solidarity
Will bring us to victory!

Solidarity, solidarity
Builds up great community
Solidarity, solidarity
Builds up great community
The world's collapsing, we are told
We'll build a new one from the old!
Solidarity, solidarity
Will bring us to victory!

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Something Smells

(Tune: "Silver Bells")
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Something smells (something smells)
Something smells (something smells)
And it's not pleasant or pretty
Wrongdoings (wrongdoings)
Of the tea party (of the tea party)
Soon Scott will face judgment day!

See the sidewalk, covered in chalk
"This Is Far From Over"
In the air there's
This feeling of freedom

While Scott's napping, Erwin's gasping
Cramping our Free Speech style
GOP can't believe we're still here

Something smells (something smells)
Something smells (something smells)
And it's not pleasant or pretty
Wrongdoings (wrongdoings)
Of the tea party (of the tea party)
Soon Scott will face judgment day!

Such a delight, knowing our rights
Hear the new tambourine
As we protest Scott Walker
With pleasure

We sing during lunch
'Cause we have a hunch
Scott is hiding something
However, he will soon disappear

Something smells (something smells)
Something smells (something smells)
And it's not pleasant or pretty
Wrongdoings (wrongdoings)
Of the tea party (of the tea party)
Soon Scott will face judgment day

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Tribal Drummer Boys

(Tune: “The Little Drummer Boy”)
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Come, they told them, Pa rum pum pum pum
A new huge mine to build, Pa rum pum pum pum
Their campaign gifts they'd bring, Pa rum pum pum pum
To lay before the "King"
Pa rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum

So, to repay them
Pa rum pum pum pum
The mine would come

Tribes could not abide that, Pa rum pum pum pum
Their livelihood at stake, Pa rum pum pum pum
They had no gift to bring, Pa rum pum pum pum
To go buy off the "King"
Pa rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum

So, they sang their prayers
Pa rum pum pum pum
On their drum

Solidarity, Pa rum pum pum pum
We stood at the same time, Pa rum pum pum pum
They played their drums for us, Pa rum pum pum pum
We sang our best for them
Pa rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum

They were hauled away
Pa rum pum pum pum
They and their drum

Here it comes again, Pa rum pum pum pum
They think they'll build the mine, Pa rum pum pum pum
We have to prove them wrong, Pa rum pum pum pum
Together, we are strong
Pa rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum

Solidarity
Pa rum pum pum pum
With the drums!

Do You Know What I Know

(Tune: “Do You Hear What I Hear?”)

Said Mike Huebsch to Chief Erwin:
"Do you see what I see? (what I see)
Way down on, the rotunda floor
Do you see what I see? (what I see)
A crowd, a crowd, singing every noon
With a sign as bold as can be
With a sign as bold as can be"

Said Chief Erwin to the Palace Guard:
"Do you hear what I hear? (what I hear)
Singing through the Capitol every day
Do you hear what I hear? (what I hear)
A song, a song echoing through the halls
With a voice as bold as can be
With a voice as bold as can be”

Said the Palace Guard to the protester:
"Do you know what I know? (what I know)
In the Capitol singing protest songs
Do you know what I know? (what I know)
You, will be, arrested if you do not leave
We will use, hand cuffs and zip ties
We will use, hand cuffs and zip ties"

Said the protester to the media everywhere:
"Listen to what I say! (what I say)
First Amendment rights, they don’t care
Listen to what I say! (what I say)
Bob LaFollette, helped designed our ring
So we could, peacefully assemble and sing
So we could, peacefully assemble and sing”

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Up On The Balcony

(Tune: “Up on the House Top”)

Up on the balcony coppers pause
Out through the LRAD Erwin calls
Down to the citizens tuneful noise
Disperse at once, I do not enjoy

CHORUS:
Ho Ho Ho! We didn't go!
Ho Ho Ho! We didn't go!
Down from the balcony, quick quick quick
Into the basement, click click click

First comes the strike team of little Fell
Don't these handcuffs fit you well?
Give him a ticket for no permit
Change it later when we learn our skit (shit)

CHORUS

Next for the strike team is gentle Will
Fought for our rights and fighting still
Handcuffed for singing, now that's just whack
Dropped on the stairs right on his back

CHORUS

During the summer the LRAD rang
Three hundred arrests, that's just insane
A word to the wise and Erwin, too
We're here to stay, and we'll outlast you

CHORUS

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General Strike

(Tune: "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire")

People starving living in the streets
Children sleeping in the cold
How can we help them? Maybe, give them some sheets?
But that won't do much once comes the snow

Early on last year, there was money to aid our state
Thirty-Seven Million to be precise
A federal grant meant to help poor folks, how great!
Walker returned it all, following ALEC's advice

Walker has dollar signs living in his eyes
But that money's not for folks like you and I
Opportunities to keep Wisconsin great
Health care for all, we know it's not too late

And then once again there was a grant for us
Eleven Million to boost Medicaid
Scott rejected that too, throwing the poor under a bus
Wisconsin Values: Scott Walker has betrayed

And so I'm offering this radical thought
Thousands of others are ready, too
Simpletons like Scott, they're paid for and they're bought
General Strike
General Strike
A General Strike's ready to debut

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Songs at Noontime

(Tune: "I'll Be Home for Christmas")

There'll be songs at noontime
You can plan on me
We've given notice, everyday
More than twelve there'll be

Songs of social protest
The lyrics make you dream
Of Wisconsin, whole again
Throw out the Walker team

There'll be songs at noontime
You can plan on me
We've given notice, everyday
More than twelve there'll be

Come and join the singers
You'll be glad you did
Come and tell Scott Walker
You don't think much of him
You don't think much of him

Come Wisconsin, One and All

(Tune: "Angels We Have Heard on High")
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Come, Wisconsin, one and all
Now the time is drawing near
The big election is next fall
Send Scott Walker outta here!

CHORUS:
So-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-lidarity
We will work for justice
So-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-lidarity
We will work for justice now

We know rolling back our rights
Isn't the Wisconsin Way
Show the world that this, our fight
Will go on another day

CHORUS

So together we will sing
Until ev'ry right is won
Making the rotunda ring
Fighting Bob's spirit lives on!

CHORUS

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Together Till the Very End

(Tune: "Auld Lang Syne")

Should we forget what happened here?
Two Hundred people cuffed
While cowards hid from citizens
Eatin' donuts till they're stuffed

Eatin' donuts till they're stuffed, my friends
Eatin' donuts till they're stuffed
While cowards hid from citizens
Eatin' donuts till they're stuffed

What were they thinking last summer?
Infringing on our rights
Erwin's pulling names out of a hat
Has no clue who he cites

Has no clue who he cites, my friends
Has no clue who he cites
Erwin's pulling names out of a hat
Has no clue who he cites

They've tried to end the Sing Along
With citations galore
Some folks have one and some have five
And some have Thirty-Four!

And some have Thirty-Four, my friends
And some have Thirty-Four
Some folks have one and some have five
And some have Thirty-Four!

When will these tyrants leave Our House?
So we can fix what they have done
The most regressive policies
Hard to vote? Easy to get a gun?

Hard to vote? Easy to get a gun?, my friends
Hard to vote? Easy to get a gun?
The most regressive policies
Hard to vote? Easy to get a gun?

Our Solidarity will never cease
We're together till the very end
So grab your songbook and come on down
To sing protest songs with all your friends!

Sing protest songs with all your friends, oh yes
Sing protest songs with all your friends
So grab your songbook and come on down
To sing protest songs with all your friends!

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Walker Blunderland II

(Tune: “Winter Wonderland”)
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Cowbells ring, are you listening?
In the Square, snow is glistening
A beautiful sight, we're active tonight
Wintering in a Walker Blunderland

Every day we have manners
Every day we wave banners
We’ll sing out these songs, all winter long
Wintering in a Walker Blunderland

In the Rotunda, we won’t see Dave Erwin
He’s the head of Walker’s Palace Guard
We get lots of mail from Mr. Erwin
But for him to show his face is mighty hard

Later on, we'll conspire
As we dream, by the fire
To face unafraid, the plans that they’ve made
Wintering in a Walker Blunderland

We’ll leave our guitars and fiddles in their cases
And we’ll sing a cappella for an hour
They’ll see smiles all upon our faces
And know that, through our singing we have power

When it snows, ain't it thrilling?
Though your nose gets a chilling
We’ll sing from the floor, like we’ve done before
Wintering in a Walker Blunderland
Wintering in a Walker Blunderland
Winter, Walker, Winter Blunderland

The Twelve Days of the Crackdown

(Tune: "The Twelve Days of Christmas")

On the 1st day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
An octogenarian

On the 2nd day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 3rd day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 4th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 5th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
THE RAGING GRANNIES
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 6th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Vets with flags-a-waving
THE RAGING GRANNIES
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 7th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Sixteen year old, Jack
Vets with flags-a-waving
THE RAGING GRANNIES
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 8th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Public Union workers
Sixteen year old, Jack
Vets with flags-a-waving
THE RAGING GRANNIES
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 9th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Fourteen year old, Lydia
Public Union workers
Sixteen year old, Jack
Vets with flags-a-waving
THE RAGING GRANNIES
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 10th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Firefighter heroes
Fourteen year old, Lydia
Public Union workers
Sixteen year old, Jack
Vets with flags-a-waving
THE RAGING GRANNIES
Teaching assistants
A Lutheran minister
Veterans for Peace
And an octogenarian

On the 11th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
An observer who wasn't singing
Firefighter heroes
Fourteen year old, Lydia
Public Union workers
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On the 12th day of the crackdown, the cops put in handcuffs:
Black men with pain compliance
An observer who wasn't singing
Firefighter heroes
Fourteen year old, Lydia
Public Union workers
Sixteen year old, Jack
Vets with flags-a-waving
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They Call It "Right to Work"

(Tune: "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Well, you know "Budget Repair"
And then gerrymandering
Voter IDs
And they tried dirty mining
But do you recall
The most vicious swindle of all?

They call it "right to work" now
But it's just wage slavery!
It only takes away rights
To workplace democracy!

All of the right-wing pundits
Scream on every frequency
They like to call it "freedom"
But it's private tyranny!

It's already in some states
It is sad to say
When you look at where they're at
People's wealth has just gone SPLAT!

So, what will you go do now?
If you thought Act 10 was bad
If they push through this nonsense
You will see we've ALL been had!

You will see we've ALL been had!

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Oh Billionaires

(Tune: "O Tannenbaum")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Oh billionaires, oh 1 percent
It's time to pay your taxes
You live like kings, you kill for bling
We won't support your habits
We will boycott all your stores
Banks and drugs, and all your wars
Oh billionaires, oh 1 percent
It's time to pay your taxes!

Oh ruling class, oh 1 percent
Why don't you pay your taxes?
You scheme and play, and rob each day
You prey upon the masses
We will stop you every day
We won't send a cent your way
Oh ruling class, oh 1 percent
Why don't you pay your taxes?

Oh CEOs, oh 1 percent
It's time to pay your taxes
You take our jobs, you run the mobs
Your life resembles maggots
We will buy from local stores
We won't help you spend and horde
Oh CEOs, oh 1 percent
It's time to pay your taxes!

Oh patriarchs, oh plutocrats
It's time you paid your dues
You smile and lie, you occupy
The minds of people, too
We will boycott all your news
And all your mass media, too
Oh patriarchs, oh plutocrats
It's time you paid your dues!

Oh billionaires, oh 1 percent
Why don't you pay your taxes?
Get out of town, we won't back down
We'll occupy your assets
We won't bomb your homes and lands
Like you do to fund your scams
Oh billionaires, oh 1 percent
We just demand your taxes!

Erwin's Cops Are Coming to Town

(Tune: "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

You'd better watch out
Don't hold a sign
Better not shout
You might get a fine
Erwin's cops are coming to town

He started a list
Of just five or ten
Free Speech offenders
Who came back again
Erwin's cops will come to your house

He thinks you need a permit
For banners, signs, and songs
In our Capitol Rotunda?
Constitution says he's wrong!

You'd better not sing
You'd better not sway
Put down the chalk
Or wash it away
Erwin's cops will find you at work

Though they've got their own
Union we hear
We get pink slips
Whenever they're near
Erwin's cops are under his thumb

When Erwin saw the tickets
Thrown out by Dane's D.A.
He got Attorneys General
And he thought we wouldn't stay

So you'd better watch out
If you use your rights
Santa cop now writes tickets all night
Erwin's guards are not shutting us down!

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Palm Trees Everywhere

(Tune: "Jingle Bells")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Damage to Our House
Violence in the streets
These are some old lies
Media repeats!
When they showed our crowds
Estimates too small!
That was when they even bothered
To report at all!

CHORUS:
Oh, palm tree here, palm tree there
Palm trees everywhere!
Even though it's winter here
Fox News doesn't care!
Palm tree here, palm tree there
Palm trees everywhere!
Even though it's winter here
Fox News doesn't care!

Occupy was big
Rarely on the news
And when it was on
News you cannot use!
The truth was plain to see
All sorts of folks were there
Not just some ol' dirty hippies
In their underwear!

CHORUS

What else to expect?
Whom are they owned by?
"Liberal bias" myth
What a silly lie!
We need our own news
That is plain to see
Like our Citizen Media,
And W-O-R-T!

CHORUS

Wisconsin, Oh Wisconsin!

(Tune: "Hanukkah, Oh Hanukkah")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Wisconsin, oh Wisconsin
A blue fisted vision!
Voices ring out our
Progressive tradition!

Fo-or-ward our motto
From foreparents great
Restore the voice of workers
Who toil for our state!

And while we are singing
A red heart ascends to the dome
Workers and children, arm linked in arm
Sing out for return of our Home!

Workers and children, ninety nine long
Sing out for return of our Home!

Wisconsin, oh Wisconsin
A quiet rotunda
That's what the Ba-rons
Demand for their plunder

Gather in the circle
And in a big voice
Spontaneous outbursts
By three's we rejoice!

And while we are swaying
That vision is burning bright
Wisconsin will fight
For what's good and what's right
For our song in the Capitol Square!

Wisconsin will fight!
For what's good and what's right!
For our song under Fighting Bob's Glare!

God Bless You Very Wealthy Men

(Tune: "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

God bless you very wealthy men
Good news I have to tell
The market's up, you're making more
Each time you buy and sell
With layoffs more, your profits soar
You're living rather well
O tidings of capital gains, capital gains
O tidings of capital gains!

God bless you very wealthy men
You never have to see
The people all around you
Who must live in misery
You keep the poor far from your door
You know no poverty
O tidings of capital gains, capital gains
O tidings of capital gains!

God bless you very wealthy men
Whatever comes to pass
You have no fear that you will be
Kicked out upon your ass
We have a feeling that your ceiling
Is not made of glass
O tidings of capital gains, capital gains
O tidings of capital gains!

God bless you very wealthy men
You do repeat this song
You owe success to your hard work
No one helped you along
You've raised yourself to the top shelf
Your bootstraps must be strong
O tidings of capital gains, capital gains
O tidings of capital gains!

God bless you poor and working folks
It's time to take a stand
For decent wages, health, and pensions
Are our just demands
It's time to fight, we must unite!
Now, won't you lend a hand?
O tidings of a world to be gained, a world to be gained
O tidings of a world to be gained!

We Citizens

(Tune: "We Three Kings")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

We citizens call Wisconsin home
Bearing signs, Our House we shall roam
Tickets mountin', but who's countin'?
Join us here under the dome

CHORUS:
Oh, Dome of Rotunda, dome of light
Dome of civic duty's might
Forward leading, singers proceeding
Home to First Amendment Right

Walker, Huebsch, and Erwin are
Trying to make our state FUBAR
Tactics brazen, they're not fazin'
Singers come from afar

CHORUS

Born a child of La Follette's land
We will bring down Fitzwalkerstan
We the People, We the People
Will see Wisconsin win

CHORUS

Pólice Navidad

(Tune: "Feliz Navidad")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2012 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Pólice Navidad
Pólice Navidad
Pólice Navidad
No necesita un permiso de cantar
(**REPEAT**)

We don't need a permit for singing
We don't need a permit for singing
We don't need a permit for singing
In the Wisconsin Capitol
(**REPEAT**)

Pólice Escucha
Pólice Escucha
Pólice Escucha
No necesita un permiso de cantar
(**REPEAT**)

We don't need a permit for singing
We don't need a permit for singing
We don't need a permit for singing
In the Wisconsin Capitol
(**REPEAT**)

The Twelve Days of Scott Walker's Term

(Tune: "The Twelve Days of Christmas")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

On the 1st day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
An unarmed populace

On the 2nd day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 3rd day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 4th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 5th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 6th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 7th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Wisconsin's shining virtue
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 8th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Health care for the poor
Wisconsin's shining virtue
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water

Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 9h day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
A united DNR
Health care for the poor
Wisconsin's shining virtue
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 10th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Low unemployment
A united DNR
Health care for the poor
Wisconsin's shining virtue
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 11th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
A shrinking middle class
Low unemployment
A united DNR
Health care for the poor
Wisconsin's shining virtue
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

On the 12th day of his term, Scott Walker took from us:
Fair voting districts
A shrinking middle class
Low unemployment
A united DNR
Health care for the poor
Wisconsin's shining virtue
Good public education
HIGH SPEED RAIL!
Fair Union contracts
Safe drinking water
Stem cell research
And an unarmed populace

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Make Him Go

(Tune: “Let It Snow”)
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Oh, the weather outside is frightful
No more Scott will be delightful
And our numbers continue to grow
Make him go, make him go, make him go!

Well, there’s no way we’ll be stopping
We’ll save our state from Walker’s chopping
Oh, the party we plan to throw
Make him go, make him go, make him go!

When we finally kick him out
We can start to restore our state!
If we work hard, there's no doubt
Of the Koch brothers' puppet's fate

Come next year, there’ll be no crying
When to Walker, we are good-bying
Because we all love Wisconsin so
Make him go, make him go, make him go!

O Come, All Wisconsin

(Tune: "O Come, All Ye Faithful")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

O come, all Wisconsin
Hold to what we value
We balance our budgets
And we work together, too
We value education
The land and all our neighbors

CHORUS:
Oh, help us vote them out [softly]
Oh, help us vote them out [moderately]
Oh, help us vote them out [loudly]
And take back our state! [loudest]

O come, all you peaceful
Sane and irate people
O come outraged citizens
Of Wisconsin
Let's get rid of Walker
Soon as we are able

CHORUS

We still believe
In the power of the many
To combat the selfish
Greed of just the few
Laws for common people
Not for corporations!

CHORUS

Sing Along Is Coming To Town

(Tune: “Santa Claus Is Coming to Town”)
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

There’s no need to cry, there’s no need to pout
When you can sing and polka and shout
Sing Along is coming to town!

So pick up a book, and sing out the words
Raise up your voice, and make yourself heard
Sing Along is coming to town!

Scott Walker's in his office
His fingers in his ears
He can't block out the singing
And he can't hold back the tears

We got lots of songs, sing some of 'em twice
“If I Had a Hammer” and “It Isn't Nice”
Sing Along is coming to town!

We're using our rights, 'cause Walker is wrong
He breaks out in a sweat, when we break out in song
Sing Along is coming to town!

We love the First Amendment
And the freedom of all speech
There's not a corner of this building
That our singing doesn't reach

We sing about justice and fairness and peace
Sing extra loud for the Capitol Police
Sing Along is coming to town!

Take Back Our Town

(Tune: "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

You better speak out
No time to be shy
There's mischief about
Its maker is sly
Walker has invaded our town!

He promises jobs
And pretends to be nice
While putting our Union
Workers on ice
Walker has invaded our town!

He's primed by ALEC tycoons
Aligned with brothers Koch
His funding comes from billionaires
Who don't care if we go broke

So
Sing in the Capitol
March in the streets
Document wrongs with
Cameras and tweets
Now's the time to take back our town!

Majority leaders are
Masters of stealth
Decisions all benefit
Corporate wealth
Walker's team has tainted our town

They're skewing the tally
With voter IDs
Changing the districts
However they please
Walker's team has tainted our town

They caucus when you're sleeping
They campaign with deceit
You dare not show a protest sign
But their friends are packin' heat

So
Sing in the Capitol
March in the streets
Document wrongs with
Cameras and tweets
Now's the time to take back our town!

Cast Your Vote

(Tune: “Silver Bells”)
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

City sidewalks, busy sidewalks
Chalked in protesting style
In the air there's a feeling of freedom
Children laughing, people passing
Meeting smile after smile
And on every street corner you'll hear:

CHORUS:
Cast your vote! [Cast your vote!]
Precious vote! [Precious vote!]
Election time in Wisconsin
Sing aloud! [Sing aloud!]
Standing proud! [Standing proud!]
Eleven months till the big day

'Neath the dome of this rotunda
On its proud second tier
Is the white marble bust of a hero
Fighting Bob stood for the People,
And his spirit, it's clear
Is our cause and the reason we're here!

CHORUS

Strings of street lights, even tree lights
Twinkle bright red and blue
As the protesters sing their songs daily
Hear the snow crunch, see the rallies bunch
We know just what to do
And above all this bustle you'll hear:

CHORUS

Won't You March In Our Parade

(Tune: "Good King Wenceslas")
From the Solidarity Sing Along 2011 Holiday Songbook
Adapted by the SSA in 2013

Special interests rule the land
One single voice is feeble
But together, hand in hand
Power to the people!

CHORUS:
Won't you march in our parade?
Join the celebration!
Sing for peace and brotherhood
Justice in our nation!

Daily songs are good for health
Rousing up our spirit
We want the rich to share the wealth
Respect all workers' merit!

CHORUS

Come add your voice, sing every day
There's room in our big circle
We polka, sway, sings songs that say:
The GOP's disgraceful!

CHORUS

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Solidarity Forever

When the Union's inspiration
Through the workers' blood shall run
There can be no power greater
Anywhere beneath the sun
Yet what force on earth is weaker
Than the feeble strength of one?
But the Union makes us strong!

CHORUS:
Solidarity Forever
Solidarity Forever
Solidarity Forever
For the Union makes us strong!

They have taken untold trillions
That they never toiled to earn
But without our brain and muscle
Not a single wheel can turn
We can break their haughty power
Gain our freedom when we learn
That the Union makes us strong!

CHORUS

They say our day is over
And they say our time is through
They say you need no Union
If your collar isn't blue
Well, that is just another lie
The boss is telling you
For the Union makes us strong!

CHORUS

They divide us by our color
They divide us by our tongue
They divide us men and women
They divide us old and young
But they'll tremble at our voices
When they hear these verses sung
For the Union makes us strong!

CHORUS (twice)

Song Credits (**continued**)

22. **"Songs at Noontime" –** New lyrics by Laura Chern 2013

23. **"Come Wisconsin, One and All" –** 2011 lyrics by Sue Nelson, Grace Vosen, Anne Reardon Urbanski, Joy Reeber, & Valerie Van Horn. Adapted lyrics 2013

24. **"Together Till the Very End" –** New lyrics by Brandon Barwick 2013

25. **"Walker Blunderland II" –** 2012 lyrics by Tom Kastle. Adapted lyrics 2013

26. **"The Twelve Days of the Crackdown" –** New lyrics by Jason Huberty 2013

27. **"They Call It "Right to Work"" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

28. **"Oh Billionaires" –** New lyrics by Mother Warriors Voice. Adapted lyrics 2013

29. **"Erwin's Cops Are Coming to Town" –** 2012 lyrics by PK Hammel. Adapted lyrics 2013

30. **"Palm Trees Everywhere" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

31. **"Wisconsin, Oh Wisconsin!" –** 2012 lyrics by Jonathan Rosenblum and Sally de Broux. Adapted lyrics 2013

32. **"God Bless You Very Wealthy Men" –** New lyrics by Annie Alpert. Adapted lyrics 2013

33. **"We Citizens" –** 2012 lyrics by Ryan Wherley & Jason Huberty. Adapted lyrics 2013

34. **"Pólice Navidad" –** 2012 lyrics by Jason Huberty. Adapted lyrics 2013

35. **"The Twelve Days of Scott Walker's Term" –** 2011 lyrics by Stephano Drakovich. Adapted lyrics 2013

36. **"Make Him Go" –** 2011 lyrics by Robert Toomey & others. Adapted lyrics 2013

37. **"O Come, All Wisconsin" –** 2011 lyrics by Rebecca Alwin & others. Adapted lyrics 2013

38. **"Sing Along Is Coming To Town" –** 2011 lyrics by Steve Burns. Adapted lyrics 2013

39. **"Take Back Our Town" –** 2011 lyrics by Doleta Chapru. Adapted lyrics 2013

40. **"Cast Your Vote" –** 2011 lyrics by John Astell & others. Adapted lyrics 2013

41. **"Won't You March In Our Parade" –** 2011 lyrics by L. Hart, J. & J. Miner of SD. Adapted lyrics 2013

42. **"Solidarity Forever"** – Lyrics by Ralph Chaplin 1915

Song Credits

1. **"When We Vote Scott Walker Out of Town" -** From the SSA 2011 Holiday Songbook. Adapted lyrics 2013

2. **"Rouse the Spirit" -** 2011 lyrics by Bill Dunn & Sachi Komai. Adapted lyrics 2013

3. **"Holly Jolly Protest" -** 2011 lyrics by L. Murray with J.S. Murray. Adapted lyrics 2013

4. **"Have Ourselves a Merry Little Protest" -** 2011 lyrics by Charitie Ida Hyman. Adapted lyrics 2013

5. **"We'll Put an End to Scott's Career" -** From the SSA 2011 Holiday Songbook. Adapted lyrics 2013

6. **"Walker the Heartless Gov'nor" -** 2011 lyrics by J.S. Murray. Adapted lyrics 2013

7. **"Let's Stand As One" -** 2011 lyrics by L.Hart, J. & J. Miner of SD, & Linda Stellick. Adapted lyrics 2013

8. **"A Few of My Favorite Things" –** 2011 lyrics by Jason Huberty. Adapted lyrics 2013

9. **"Five Hundred Citations Plus" –** 2012 lyrics by Brandon Barwick. Adapted lyrics 2013

10. **"Deck the Halls with Pink Citations" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

11. **"Scotty the Con Man" –** 2012 lyrics by PK Hammel. Adapted lyrics 2013

12. **"Go Tell it at the Fountain" –** 2012 lyrics by Ryan Wherley. Adapted lyrics 2013

13. **"Hark! The Plutocrats Will Whine!" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

14. **"Here We Come A-Protesting" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

15. **"O Come, All Ye Voters" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

16. **"Solidarity, Solidarity" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

17. **"Something Smells" –** 2012 lyrics by Brandon Barwick. Adapted lyrics 2013

18. **"Tribal Drummer Boys" –** 2012 lyrics by Felix Bunke. Adapted lyrics 2013

19. **"Do You Know What I Know" –** New lyrics by Jerry McDonough 2013

20. **"Up On The Balcony"** – New lyrics by Jason Huberty 2013

21. **"General Strike"** – New lyrics by Brandon Barwick 2013